SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Eucharist:

Mass:

M-F: 8:00am Sat. Vigil: 5:00pm Sun.: 8:00am & 10:30pm

Adoration:

M-F: 6:30-7:30am Fri.: 9:00am-Noon

Reconciliation: (Confession)

Sat: 4:00pm—4:30pm and *anytime* by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: (& Ministry to the Sick)

Please call the rectory, 860. 434.1660, anytime a person is sick and would like anointing or a visit.

Baptism:

Please call our parish office to arrange pre-Baptismal instruction and ceremony date and time.

Holy Orders:

To learn more about becoming a **priest or deacon,** call Fr. Joe Ashe or Fr. Walter Nagle at the rectory or Rev. Kevin Reilly, Vocations Office, 860.887.9294.

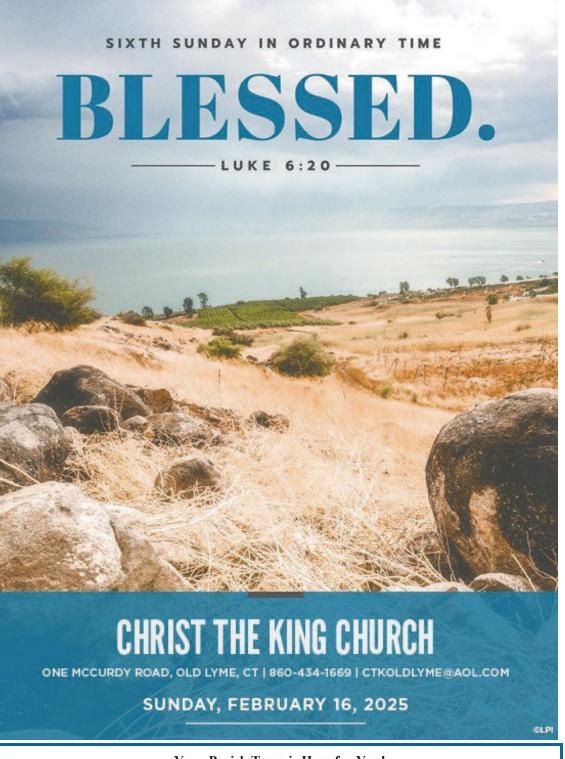
Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must begin *at least six months before* actual ceremony.

Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation begins in grade 9 and students receive the sacrament in grade 10. Adults can join RCIA. For questions about RCIA, please contact the office or Jo Ann Staves at 860.434.4374.

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800.624.7407



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Fr. Joseph Ashe, Pastor ~ Fr. Walter Nagle, Parochial Vicar Contact us!

 $\textbf{Rectory: } 860.434.1660\textbf{; Parish Office: } 8\overline{60.434.1669} \textit{ // Office email: } \texttt{CTKOldLyme@aol.com}$

Faith Formation email: DREChristTheKingOL@gmail.com Parish Website: www.ChristTheKingChurch.net US Mail: 1 McCurdy Rd., Old Lyme, CT 06371

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Masses and Week at a Glance for the week of February 16, 2025

Sat. Feb. 15

5:00pm * Deceased members of the Dougherty & Ganci families r/b Mary Anne & Joe Dougherty

Sun. Feb. 16 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am 7 John Hennessy r/b his sister

10:30am ₮ Agnes & Catherine Martin

9:15am Family Lenten Prayer Service & Pancake Breakfast

9:15am ***NO Faith Formation Class, CTK***

6:30pm *** NO Confirmation Class***

Mon. Feb. 17 Presidents' Day

8:00am Parishioners of CTK

Tues. Feb. 18

8:00am **Y** John Plikus r/b Christine Plikus

7:00pm Finance Committee Meeting

7:30 pm Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Wed. Feb. 19

8:00am 🏕 Bernard Jr. & Barbara Kennedy

9:30am & 6:30pm Walking with Purpose "Coffee Talk"

7:00 pm Small Christian Community Bible Study

Thurs. Feb. 20

8:00am 7 Tom & Carmen Baldi r/b daughter Sharon

9:00am Thursday Bible Study

Fri. Feb. 21

8:00am * Clare Francis r/b the Lennard family

****No Adoration Today*****

Sat. Feb. 22

5:00pm **★**Leslie Stack

Sun. Feb. 23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30am ₮ Mark Whelan r/b Paul & Rosemary Reid

🗗 Richard Pankowski r/b Paul & Rosemary Reid

9:15am ***NO Faith Formation Class, CTK***

6:30pm *** NO Confirmation Class***



The Sanctuary Lamp for this week of February will be lit for the Kathe Family

Christ the King Mass Times ~ Join Us!

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:00pm SUNDAY: 8:00am & 10:30am

WEEKDAYS: 8:00am

Can't join in person? Celebrate via our Zoom live-stream! *Links to join are on our website*.



If you are in need of a priest, please contact Fr. Joe and/or Fr. Walter at the rectory phone number: (860) 434-1660.



Latest News and Events at CTK



Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is scheduled for *Monday, Mar. 3 at 7:00pm*. Attendance at PPC meetings is

open to all parishioners, but if possible please give the Council prior notice of your plan to attend, so that there will be ample seating. You can do this using the message form on the pastoral council page of the parish website.

The meeting agenda will also be posted there, along with minutes of past meetings.

The Parish Pot Luck is back!!



The supper will be held at Christ the King Parish Hall on Friday, February 28th @ 5:45pm for social hour (BYOB), with dinner at 6:00pm. Please bring a dish, salad or dessert for all to share. All are welcome! For questions or more information, please call Nancy Gatto at 860-390-6314.

Lenten Program Are you seeking a simple yet meaningful way to deepen your Lenten journey?

Dynamic Catholic invites you to experience **BEST LENT EVER**, a free daily program designed to inspire and enrich your season of reflection. This year's theme centers on **Divine Mercy**, offering powerful insights and practical guidance to help you grow spiritually. All you need to do is go to this link to sign up: https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html Starting on Mar. 5, 2025, you'll receive daily emails that include a free video that will guide you on a life-changing journey through *33 Days to Divine Mercy*.

If you have any questions please contact Michelle Gagner at gagnermm9@gmail.com or 860.918.4785. Wishing you a Lent filled with peace, reflection, and spiritual growth.

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Friday Morning Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is celebrated in the Church on *Fridays from 9am until 12 Noon*, with Benediction <u>following</u>.

*Occasionally, Adoration will not be held due to a funeral or wedding.

Please check the CTK website for updates.*

Parish Prayer Line

To request prayers for any intention large or small, please call Michele at (860) 434-8529.

Intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous.



Parish Bulletin Submission Deadlines

If you would like to submit any announcements for the bulletin, the deadline is **Monday** by **noon.**

Thanks for keeping your item short. Space is limited.

Parish Readings for the Week of February 16, 2025

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/1 Cor 15:12,

16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and

9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/

Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/

Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/

Lk 6:27-38

Christ the King Parish Needs You!

Christ the King Parish depends on your generous support. Although we do not "pass the basket" at this time, your contributions are needed & deeply appreciated.



To give "Text-to-Give" a try text **ENROLL**" to Christ the King's special phone number:

860-935-8488, or scan this QR code. You'll have to register with a credit card the first time, but later gifts will only re-

quire texting a dollar amount.

Catholic Trivia - Just for Fun

Question: What is the term for sharing of the faith through witness of life and word?

Answer: Evangelization. ©LPi

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

WWP Bible Studies combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to solutions given through Scripture. If you desire to grow in your faith—in a supportive community of Catholic women—join us! Wednesdays at 9:30AM or 6:30PM here at Christ The King. To learn more, please contact Aimee Finnegan at aimee.wwp@gmail.com, or visit the WWP webpage on our parish website!

Do you use donation envelopes for your weekly and monthly offerings?

The parish provides envelopes for anyone who wishes to use them, but there is a cost to the parish for this service. If you are getting envelopes *but are no longer using them*, please let the office know. We can stop sending them to you & save the parish this expense.

In an effort to save paper & money, we will automatically stop sending to anyone who has not used them in six months or more.

CTK Lost and Found

Afraid you might have lost an item?
Visit our Lost and Found basket, located on the bench in the hallway closest to the Narthex!

Involvement Opportunities at Christ the King

Liturgical Ministry Opportunities

Serving as an Altar Server or a Lector is a way to get involved in our Parish.

training is provided.



Altar Servers: Open to adults or students who have made their First Communion.

How about a parent-child or grandparent-grandchild team?
Lectors: Open to Confirmed adults/high school students.

You must be registered with Parish to participate. If interested, please contact the parish office at **(860) 434-1669** or ctkoldlyme@aol.com.visit our website for more involvement opportunities.

Norwich Diocese Catholic Charities is in constant need of personal care and other items for the poor and homeless in the Diocese. Therefore, the Father Hussion Columbiettes are once again asking for your help as we collect unused, small, personal care items (deodorant, soaps, combs, shampoo, tissues, Q-tips, hand sanitizers, hand lotions, toothpaste, toothbrushes, wash cloths and face towels, socks for all ages, baby diapers and even new baby clothes in sizes Newborn to 3T) A large box will be in the main entrance of the church for these donations from Feb. 24th - Apr. 7th. Then we will assemble treasure pouches (clear plastic bags) packed with all these items for Catholic Charities to distribute. We are very grateful for your generosity. Any questions, please call or text June Getchius at 959-239-1490.

Faith Formation Roundtable

Open to all parishioners! Please join us on Saturday Mar.1 @ 1:00pm in the Parish Library for a facilitated discussion about Christ the King's Faith Formation program. What do we want our program to be? What is important to us as a parish in our faith formation program? Any questions please reach out to Erica - (860) 575-1740 or drechristthekingol@gmail.com

Christ the King Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible Study is being held at 9:00am in the classroom across from the parish office. Come join us! We can loan you a Bible if you do not have one. All are welcome! For more information, please contact **Deb Skaar** at (860) 434-3081

The final total for the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal: Thank you very much **Christ the King Parish, Old Lyme** for your generous donations of \$78,628.08 which was 95.70% of your goal. Throughout 2024 15.61% of your parishioners donated and each donation made gave support to the diocesan ministries. We are very happy to report that all the generous donations made to the 2024 campaign brought our total to \$2,613,922.22. While this did fall slightly short of our \$2,700,00.00 goal it is a testament to all the hard work and generosity of our parish communities. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. For more information or to donate, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

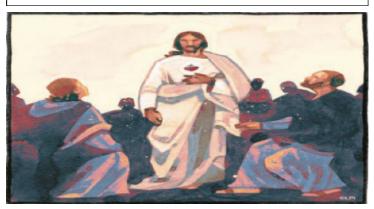
News from the Diocese of Norwich

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Diocesan Women's Conference ~ Please join women from the diocese for the Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference entitled Dinner with Jesus March 19, 2025, at the Great Neck Country Club in Waterford. Lisa Irish, author, bereavement chaplain, and both a spiritual and retreat director, will be the featured speaker at this year's conference speaking on the topic How Are We the Image of Christ. Tickets for the conference, which includes dinner, are \$70 and still available. To register, go online at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or call the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237, ext. 304.

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, March 1 at 8:30 A.M. Please join our celebrant Rev. Walter Nagle at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. Refreshments in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.



A Lenten Hobo Honeymoon with Sr. Theresita Donach, CSFN March 12, 2025

Want to be a Hobo this Lent? The word Hobo translates to Homeward Bound; and for us, it is homeward bound to our God. This retreat will invite us to reverence the good seed and Loving Creator God planted within each of us before we were born... promising with our "yes" to bring life to our mutual desires; God's for us and ours for God.

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Prayer of God's Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours. Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs.

Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours. Amen.



Stay Informed with the Norwich Diocese!

For more upcoming news and events, please visit *https://www.norwichdiocese.org*.

Finding Recovery Through Art with Sue Ellen Landwehr March 8, 2025

Participants will create a 12-step art journal using mixed media techniques like collage, watercolor, and pen & ink to explore their recovery journey. Guided meditations and writing prompts will help develop a personal, expressive style in a supportive environment. All materials are provided, and all recovery seekers are welcome!

Program Price (per person) \$125.00 (includes materials and lunch) Sign up now at enders.is/programs or call 860.536.0565 x0 ST. EDMUND'S RETREAT 1 ENDERS ISLAND, MYSTIC CT. 06355

Beginning Experience Healing Programs ~

Beginning Experience of Hudson Valley, a peer led ministry, invites men and women of all ages who grieve the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation to two upcoming experiences. In the Beginning...

Coping with Life Alone is a one-day virtual program on **Saturday, Feb. 22** from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

For information or to register, please call Jim at 845-220-7883 or Denise at 845-325-3147.

<u>A Healing Weekend</u> will take place Mar. 28-30 at Mount Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappingers Falls, NY. For information or to register, please call Gloria at 646-281-4790 or Phyllis at 914-261-5812. Or, visit the group's website at www.beginningexperiencehv.org.

In my Love, Abide

Men's Retreat: April 4-6, 2025 in West Hartford, CT Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center

Jesus calls us to remain in love as the branches remain with the vine for life and sustenance. We know that Jesus prayed often and taught his disciples to do the same. Pope Francis has named this year a "Year of Prayer." He described it as "a year dedicated to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer in one's personal life, in the life of the Church, and in the world." We invite you to come and explore the depths of a life of prayer and learn ways to maintain the sacred connection to God through Christ, the true vine. Conferences and workshops will be offered along with the Sacrament of Reconciliation & Celebration of the Eucharist. Register at holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats.

STEUBENVILLE EAST Join teens from across the U.S. for 3 days of fellowship, faith, & worship in Springfield, MA, Friday, July 25 to Sunday, 27. This event is open to 8th–12th graders, with a cost of \$300, which covers the conference, meals, and transportation. Additionally, the cost of housing is \$150 for a 2-person room or \$75 for a 4-person room for two nights. A \$100 deposit is required by Feb. 27 to reserve your spot with the Office of Faith Events. To register, please speak with your Faith Formation Leader. For questions, contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ext. 305.



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